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Sen. Goschka Announces More Committee Assignments

*Senate Majority Leader Also Taps Saginaw Senator for Appropriations –
Subcommittee Assignments to be Announced Later*

(LANSING) Senator Mike Goschka, R-Brant, was chosen recently by Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema as a member of the Senate Appropriations, Local, Urban and State Affairs and Transportation Committees for the 2003-2006 legislative session.

“These committee selections will, without a doubt, have positive implications for the residents of the 32nd Senate District,” Goschka said. “I am pleased that Senator Sikkema chose me for these roles, and I look forward to working with my committee colleagues. I’ve always been a local government person with a particular eye on the need for fairness in bridge and road funding. This sets the table for my district to be well represented on these issues.”

As a member of the appropriations committee, Goschka will be responsible for appropriating state and federal funding for several programs and grants, as well as overseeing numerous state budgets. His subcommittee assignments are expected to be announced soon.

“Senator Goschka's leadership as chair of an appropriations subcommittee brings valuable experience to the Senate Appropriations Committee,” Sikkema, R-Wyoming, said. “As Michigan's families and businesses look to the state to help strengthen the economy, Senator Goschka will prove a tremendous asset to the committee.”

Goschka was elected to the House of Representatives in 1992 and won his first election to the Senate in 1998. He brings appropriations experience to his committee assignment after having served as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Family Independence Agency Subcommittee.

“People work hard for their money and my intent is to exercise fiscal responsibility in guarding the taxpayer dollar on the appropriations committee,” concluded Goschka.

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